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Sheriffs - Prisons and Prisoners -  
Fees - Funds

County Sheriff entitled to  
compensation by the state for  
expenses incurred in the trans-  
portation of state prisoners to or  
from points outside the county  
pursuant to a state court order.

Dear Sheriff Purvis:

This letter is in response to a request for an opinion on  
your behalf by the Honorable Barry Hess which opinion request  
reads as follows:

"Sheriff Purvis has instructed me to write  
you to ask for your opinion as to whether  
or not the State of Alabama is to reimburse  
him his expenses for executing a valid Court  
order compelling him to produce a prisoner  
to appear at a court proceeding for the  
prosecution or for an indigent defendant."

It is the opinion of this office that a county sheriff is  
entitled to reimbursement from the State of Alabama for expenses  
incurred in the transportation of state prisoners to or from  
points outside the county pursuant to a state court order.


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Informal Opinions of the Attorney General, No. 84-00047 (Nov. 7, 1983).

I hope I have satisfactorily answered your inquiry with regard to this matter.

Sincerely,

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By:

  
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